



THE VIOXX MYSTERY

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This story involves the mystery of the popular arthritis drug Vioxx, which has been recalled since 2004. Today, we're going back three decades earlier to reveal the secrets of Vioxx.

The osteoarthritis drug Vioxx AKA Rofecoxib and Ceoxx was approved in May 1999 by the FDA (Food & Drug Administration. Vioxx was to treat patients with osteoarthritis, arthritis and other symptoms. Five years later on September 30, 2004, the multimillion-dollar drug company Merck has called for Vioxx to be pulled off shelves in stores including pharmacies around the world. However, recent studies show that

Vioxx should have been withdrawn years earlier. According to the Goldwater Law Firm in Arizona, Merck may be to blame for your health problems and estimates of how many people who've been injured by Vioxx kept going up. According to some law firms, this drug causes heart attacks, strokes and sudden cardiac death. In March 2006, many law firms have filed 10,000 cases and 190 class actions against Merck. In November

2007, Merck was also ordered to pay \$4.5 million, \$4.85 million, \$9 million, \$7 million and \$25 million to thousands of victims who have been injured by the drug Vioxx. Over 60,000 people have died from heart attacks due to the consumption of Vioxx. Vioxx also have caused gastrointestinal problems and internal bleeding. In some markets, Vioxx has been replaced by Pfizer's drugs Celebrex and Bextra. Generic

rofecoxib may be available in some markets. Many law firms have been investigating millions of Vioxx cases 17 years ago.

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